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REDUCTION OF MILITARY BUDGETS

Report of the First Committee

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1. The item entitled "Reduction of military budgets" was included in the provisional agenda of the fiftieth session of the General Assembly in accordance with Assembly resolution 49/66 of 15 December 1994.

2. At its 3rd plenary meeting, on 22 September 1995, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include the item in its agenda and to allocate it to the First Committee.

3. At its 2nd meeting, on 12 October 1995, the First Committee decided to hold a general debate on all disarmament and international security items allocated to it, namely, items 57 to 78, 80 and 81. The deliberations on those items took place at the 3rd and 11th meetings, from 16 to 20 and on 25 and 26 October 1995 (see A/C.1/50/PV.3-11). Structured discussions of specific subjects within the adopted thematic approach were held from 30 October to 3 November. Consideration of draft resolutions on the items took place at the 13th to 17th meetings, from 6 to 9 November (see A/C.1/50/PV.13-17). Action on the draft resolutions was taken at the 18th and 29th meetings, on 10, 13 to 17, 20 and 21 November (see A/C.1/50/PV.18-29).

4. In connection with item 61, the First Committee had before it the report of the Secretary-General on military expenditures in standardized form reported by States (A/50/277 and Add.1).

5. No action was taken by the First Committee under item 61.

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